

REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliance dated April 19, 2007, Applicants have amended the claims to total 81 claims (included canceled claims 40-81) and corrected the status identifiers on claims 21-39. Claims 21-39 are pending.

Applicants submitted a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application on August 29, 2006.

Claims 1-20 and 40-81 have been canceled. The status identifiers on claims 21-39 have been added. Claims 21-39 are pending in the application.

On the basis of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration of this application and its allowance are requested.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Attorney for Applicant, David W. Lynch, at 423-757-0264.

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